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The Danish Government are of the opinion that the initiative taken last week by the Acting Secretary-General of the United Nations at an early stage of the serious international crisis arising from the Cuban situation contributed very materially towards a detente. This detente was based on the assumption of continued United Nations assistance in the implementation of the necessary practical steps.

The Danish Government consider the United Nations a factor of prime importance to the preservation of peace and to the safeguarding of freedom and right, especially of the small nations. In the present situation it would involve grave risks if the United Nations were hampered in its efforts to solve the problems assigned to it.

The Danish Government have learned with great regret of the statements by the Prime Minister of Cuba that the Cuban Government is firmly against any form of inspection in connection with the removal of the offensive weapons from Cuba under the auspices of the United Nations as agreed by the Government of the United States and the Government of the USSR.

The Danish Government urge the Government of Cuba, in the interests of international peace and of the organization as a whole, to co-operate fully with the Acting Secretary-General in his endeavours to bring about a peaceful solution to the existing problems.

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